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Dear Mr. O'Beirne,

I take the liberty of writing to you in connection with the Anti-Partition of Ireland League as Mr. Armour mentioned to me that you were interested in the subject of the Partition of Ireland.

The Anti-Partition of Ireland League was started in London before Christmas by a body of Irishmen and Irishwomen representative of the leading London Irish Societies and Clubs who felt that it was a suitable time to start a movement with the object of placing the true facts about Partition before the British public.

So far we have met with great success despite the fact that our activities are hampered by lack of funds and shortage of any but voluntary help. We have an ambitious programme in hand which will necessitate in the future a very large membership and the setting up of a permanent and fully staffed office.

We would be very glad to have you as a member and I enclose a membership form which gives you in brief the object of the League and the annual membership fee.

I feel sure that in writing to you I am addressing one of the "converted" so that there is no need for me to place before you the arguments in favour of the ending of Partition. We hope in time to publish literature on the subject which will be sent to members to be read and distributed to their friends. I might mention that we propose to hold a big meeting in London at the end of March which we hope will attract some press publicity.

Our immediate object is to enrol members and you may perhaps be able to put us in touch with any persons or any organisation in Cambridge whom you know to be favourable to our object. I believe that the Hibernian Club may be worth getting in touch with, but perhaps, you would be able to advise us about it.

It is very difficult for me to explain our activities to you in a short letter so I hope that if you ever have occasion to visit London you will call in to see either myself or the Hon. Secretary. Meanwhile, perhaps you have some suggestions on the subject of our League, if so, we should be glad to hear from you.

Yours faithfully,

Hon. Assistant Secretary of the
Anti-Partition of Ireland League.